

thereof requiring a response to be filed on or before March 5, 2001.

Pursuant to a Petition under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a), concurrently filed herewith, together with the fee required under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(3), the undersigned elects to extend the response date three (3) months from March 5, 2001 to June 5, 2001.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the Paragraph beginning at line 7 and ending at line 17 of Page 7 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Another advantage of the present invention is the opening formed in the outer member of the bag may include a fastening member, having an open and a closed position, which is operatively connected to the opening and adapted to make the opening an unsecured opening when the fastening member is in the open position and which is adapted to make the opening a secured opening when the fastening member is in a closed position. The fastening device may be any known fastening device such as for example, a zipper, buttons with cooperating button holes, snaps, mating members forming a VELCRO fastener, which is known in the

art as a hook and loop fastener, namely, fasteners comprises of material having a surface of hooks mated with material having a surface of loops, and the like.

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Please replace the Paragraph beginning at line 24 and ending at line 27 of Page 19 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Fig. 17 is a pictorial representation of another embodiment of an outer pocket 610 having a flap 612 integral with the entryway and having a fastening member 614 which is one of two mating elements defining a VELCRO fastener.

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Please replace the Paragraph beginning at line 28 of Page 19 and ending at line 6 of Page 20 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Fig. 18 is a pictorial representation of a bag 600 having the outer pocket 610 illustrated in Fig. 17 operatively connected to the exterior surface of the outer member 600. A mating member 616 is operatively connected to the exterior surface of the outer member 600 and forms the other of two mating elements defining a VELCRO fastener. Fig. 19 is a pictorial representation of a bag of Fig. 18 having the